

## **News Release**

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## Blessing held for Maluhia Road, Kōloa Road project in Kōloa; completion expected in spring 2021

KŌLOA – A blessing was held Thursday for the Maluhia Road and Kōloa Road improvement project in Kōloa, attended by a group exercising social distancing procedures and wearing masks.

"Mahalo to Goodfellow Brothers, the Department of Public Works, and to the community for your patience with this project," said Mayor Derek S. K. Kawakami.

The scope of this \$21.7 million project – with \$16.4 million in federal funding – include the following:

- Rehabilitation and resurfacing of pavement; pavement widening to provide 4- to 6-feet paved shoulders where possible on both Maluhia Road and Kōloa Road;
- Reduce congestion and improve safety by adding a roundabout at the Kōloa Road/Ala
  Kalanikaumaka Intersection and left turn lanes at other intersections and driveways; and
- Provide upgrades and safety improvements (replacement and new guardrails) to comply with federal and State design standards;
- Drainage improvements in the Tree Tunnel section of Maluhia Road.

The Project was conceived in calendar year 2017 and the Environmental and Design work began in January 2018.



In 2018, an initial community meeting was held at Kōloa Elementary School to discuss design elements. In 2019 a follow-up meeting was held at Kōloa Elementary School to discuss the final design. Most recently, on May 12, a virtual meeting with members of the Southside community was held to discuss construction and lane closure dates and times.

Road construction work is scheduled to start the first week of June; road closure dates and times will be announced.

Anyone with questions can contact Goodfellow Brothers at 808-462-8057.



Photo caption: A blessing was held Thursday for the Maluhia Road and Kōloa Road improvement project in Kōloa, attended by a group exercising social distancing procedures and wearing masks.